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Application Number	10/628,189
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Art Unit	1765
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Each inventor's residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to their name.

I believe the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

GROWTH OF ULTRA-HIGH PURITY SILICON CARBIDE CRYSTALS IN AN AMBIENT CONTAINING HYDROGEN

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

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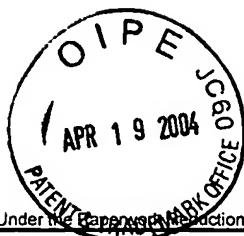
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: Valeri F. Tsvetkov

Application No./Patent No.: 10/628,189 Filed/Issue Date: July 28, 2003

Entitled: Growth of Ultra-high Purity Silicon Carbide Crystals in Ambient Containing Cree, Inc., a North Carolina Corporation
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